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GERMANS WAIT BETTER WEATHER TO START DRIVE

U. S. AERIAL MAIL SERVICE BECOMES REALITY ON WEDNESDAY

Wilson Says Chamberlain Would Give Sena Body Conduct of War

Says Passing of Resolution Would be Vote of Lack of Confidence in Present Administration.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, May 15 .- The differences of opinion between Pres't Wilson and Sen. Chamberlain, of AUUIIIU OLTIVIA Oregon, chairman of the senate military affairs committee, over the aircraft situation, brought forth another move from the chief executive

The president, in a letter to Sen. Martin of Virginia, majority leader Emperor Charles' Country is of the senate, informed congress that he would regard the adoption of the Chamberlain resolution as a vote of lack of confidence in the administra-

The Chamberlain resolution would clothe the military committee with International News Service: broad authority to investigate all army matters, as well as the aircraft situation.

Sen. Martin hastily summoned administration senators to his office and read the president's letter to them. Lines were immediately drawn for a bitter fight in the senate over the resolution.

Pres't Wilson's Letter. Pres't Wilson's letter to Martin follows:

"My dear Senator: I am sincerely obliged to you for calling my attention to senate resolution 241, which in effect proposes to constitute the military affairs committee of the senate, a committee on the conduct of the war.

"I deem it my duty to say that I should regard the passage of this resolution as a direct vote of want of confidence in the administration. The purpose which it undoubtedly expresses has been expressed again and again in various forms during the present session and has always seemed to originate in a rooted distrust of those who are at present in charge of the executive functions of the government. Those executive functions are very clearly understood. They have been defined both by the constitution and by long experience and no one can doubt w cre the responsibility for th m lies or what the methods are by which those who are responsible can be held to their duty. Such activities on the part of a particular committee of the senate as this resolution would look forward to, would constitute nothing less than an attempt to take over the conduct of the war, or at least, to so superintendent and direct and participate in the executive conduct of it as to interfere in the most serious way with the action of the constituted executive. I protest most earnestly against the adoption of any such action, and shall hope that every senator who intends to support the present administration in the conduct of the war will vote against it. These are serious times and it is absolutely necessary that the lines should be clearly drawn between friends and opponents.

> "WOODROW WILSON Blocks Immediate Action.

(Signed)

blocked immediate action on the and rusty rigging, and that eye of "She receded into the night Chamberlain resolution. It precip- unsteady fire watched the whole astern, as a destroyer raced on to nated a wide breach in the com- great enterprise from the moment lay a light buoy that was to be her mittee on audit and control, which when it hung in doubt, to its ulti- guide and those on board saw her has charge of the measure as a re. mate friumphant success. port was again held up.

gave out a letter from Sec'y of War Vice Admiral Sir Robert Keyes to hide her in the clouds of a smoke Raker declaring that he was not Commodore Hubert Lynes, who di- screen. opposed to a most thorough investi- rected the previous attempt to block No Preliminary Bombardment. gation of the aircraft situation. The letter said in part:

"I point out that every facility bination of unforeseen and unforewhich the war department has is secable conditions had fought That was to be the first element in does of the motor boats exploded flares. freely at the disposal of the senate against him. military affairs committee."

CONFISCATE ARMS.

International News Service; LONDON, May 15. - Word re- clearly, from his ascertained dispoceived bure today from Belfast says sitions, expecting him. that the police have confiscated all and brokers.

Italians Sink an Enemy Transport in Adriatic Sea

official announcement by the admir-

The transport was convoyed by managed to return undamaged. The enemy destroyers were hit. Searchlights from the land played upon the Italian destroyers and made them plain targets, but the Austrian gunners failed to score a hit.

Said to Become Virtually a Colony of Germany.

BASLE, Switzerland, May 15. -Emperor Charles has returned to Vienna following his conference at German great headquarters with Kaiser Wilhelm, according to dispatches received here today

International News Service: and Austrian emperors at German, grand headquarters, is to endure for in 36 hours." 25 years, according to advices re-

ceived here today from Vienna. closest possible union.

the help he needs. Conditions following day. throughout Austria-Hungary are piccome at any time.

DUKE DIES. 1

vick, Castle.

destroyers but the Italian warships Air Route Effects Saving of Over Two Hours Between Terminals—Special Delivery Feature.

> International News Service: WASHINGTON, May 15 .- The inauguration of the aerial mail service between Washington and New York was attended by a mishap, when the propellor of the machine broke and the aviator was forced to make a landing on the state road near Waldorf, Md., the postoffice department announced this afternoon.

America's first aerial postal service became a reality today. Skimming the skies between Washington and New York, airplanes which started from the two cities simultaneously carried International News Service: consignments of mail at the rate | LONDON, May 15. - The success York, a distance of 250 miles, It is believed that the utter lack

London and Washington advices ing will be made on account of the wonderful results. emperors. Austria will become vir- post office officials, the saving may contemplate.

tured as chaotic and an uprising may delays resulting from accidents to the planes, relief machines and landing fields being provided at Bal- International News Service: LONDON, May 15.—The duke of service started with 12 planes, three St. Louis Cardinals and Cleveland delegates were assured there was no Illinois st. Firemen rescued the in- (pacifist) propaganda literature, ac-Corthumberland died today at Alny- each at Washington and New York Spiders, shot and killed himself in cause for alarm among the muni- jured man and confined the blaze to cording to information from a Gerand six at Philadelphia.

Russ Dowager HEAVY GUNS

ZURICH, May 15,-German troops that invaded Crimea have made prisoners of the dowager empress of Russia and the grand dukes, Nicholas, Peter and Alexander, according to an official announcement made in Berlin. The prisoners are held on their estates in the neighborhood of Ejulbar. The German official statement described the prisoners as "fomenters of the world war." Grand Duke Michael Alexcaptives.

WASHINGTON, May 15.— Appointment of Generalissimo Believed to Have Saved the Situation.

of 100 miles an hour-and 24 so far achieved since the allied cents an ounce. And the institu- armies have been placed under the tion of the service marked an supreme command of Gen. Foch is other step in the record of astonishing to even the warmest achievements since 1832, when supporters of the generalissimo. ZURICH, May 15 .- The new Aus- the senate boasted that letters Men who formerly opposed the plan tro-German alliance, just entered had "been brought from New to establish a unity of command are into at a conference of the German Vorte a distance of 250 miles now praising the idea.

of friction and discontent anywhere The plane leaving New York at is due largely to the timeliness of 11:30 o'clock was scheduled to ar- Foch's appointment. Almost simulnilitary union in the widest accep- and Washington at 2:30 o'clock, the saddle the enemy's initiative towards The economic and tariff questions ing from six to seven hours. The air deflected towards Flanders. And will be settled with a view to the route will effect a saving of at least there, too, the generalissime, as soon International News Service: two hours in the delivery of mail at as he had time to extend his organterminals, but a much greater sav- ization northward, accomplished reau of military information today today's Express.

cities, and earlier train connections, the allies great confidence regarding would be used to replace French mu- Zeebrugge and Ostend makes such Huntington; twelfth, Henry G. Ho- alarm at the growing strength of ference of German and Austrian In some instances, according to the next blow that Hindenburg may nition workers sent to the battle an operation much more difficult.

tually a German colony. The Aus- amount to as much as 12 hours, by Foch has made it plain that he is to place certain mobilized workmen USES OIL TO START trian emperor was forced to submit making connections which will not too proud to learn certain tac- at the disposal of Gen. Foch and to Germany's conditions because of avoid delivery going over until the tical lessons from the enemy and he certain classes of men, particularly can be counted on to take advantage those having seen long service at Provision has been made against of everything that has happened.

SHOOTS AND KILLS SELF.

his saloon here this morning.

and Grand Dukes STILL THUNDEN

Field Marshal Haig Reports Continued Artillery Activity by Enemy-British Raids Succeed.

International News Service: LONDON, May 15.-Continued heavy artillery activity was reported | Nieppe forest is a few miles north-

around Kemmel.

north of Lens but were repulsed. Haig's troops carried out another successful raid northeast of Robeco, on all parts of the battle zones. The text of the official statement

"A raid attempted by the enemy in the night time north of Lens was repulsed. We carried out another successful raid northeast of Robecq.

"Hostile artillery was active in the night time in the valleys of the Somme and the Ancre and north of Bethune in the forest deNieppe sector. This morning the enemy's artillery activity increased southwest of Morlancourt and north of Kem-

The sovereigns have concluded a rive in Philadelphia at 12:30 o'clock taneously with his getting into the DENY RUMOR AMERICANS

branded as false a rumor that In commenting on the report, the fordsville; tenth, Lawrence Lyons, All the indications are that the front. The government has decided the front and those who have been | INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 15 .-consideration.

tions workers.

THE WAR SITUATION TODAY

International News Service:

The Germans are employing new strategy in the use of their artillery by swift switches in their bombardments from one par of the battle front to another without following them up with any forcible infantry thrusts.

It is true that the cannonades are sometimes the preludes to local enterprises but the deadlock in the grand operations contin-

After the artillery activity yesterday on parts of the Picardy front, in the Champagne district and in the Vosges mountains, the German guns suddenly became busy today in the Somme and Ancre valleys, north of Bethune, the sector of Nieppe forest, and in the sectors of Morlancourt and Kemmel.

The Somme and Acre rivers lie on the Picardy plains east of Amiens. Bethune, an important British rail head position, lies on the southwest- Sec'y Henley Announces He ern end of the Flanders front.

in Field Marshal Haig's communi- west of Bethune, bordering the Lys que to the war office today. During river. Morlancourt is between 14 the night, he reported the artillery and 15 miles northeast of Amiens. Kemmel, which was a critical posi- International News Service: fire was heavy in the valleys of the tion on the Flanders front, is in Bel-Somme and the Ancre and around gium a few miles to the southwest The election of Edward Wasmuth Bethune. This morning the firing of Ypres. It lies in the hill country became heavy at Morlancourt and which has been the scene of bloody chairman is believed to have been weather the enemy has continued

the British lines during the night mans are not concentrating their The committeemen will meet at 1:30 There is evidence that German artillery fire against any particular this afternoon at headquarters for divisions are being withdrawn from sector but are cannonading liberally reorganization and following pre-

activity on the Italian front. These activities have not risen to

the magnitude of grand engage- he was again ready to accept the front. ments, but have been confined to office which he has filled for four. The German press has begun to small pitched battles in the moun- years and thus serve his party. He prepare the populace for a series of tains, especially in the Trentino zone made it plain that while he appre- battles and consequential losses. of operations. However, they may clated the sentiment in favor of his They no longer talk of "downing be accepted as an indication that being named chairman, he would the allies by a single blow." more important fighting is to be ex-

DISCUSS GERMAN LANDING ON SHORES OF ENGLAND

tance of the term, the advices stated. time for transportation by train bean invasion, but as a murder raid, erty; seventh, J. W. Fesler, In- local operations, carried out with a PARIS. May 15.—The Paris bu- according to an article published in dianapolis: eighth, Harry Long, view to bettering the various parts

stated last night that it had been special delivery features in the Gen. Foch's successes have given American soldiers or workmen Express says that the bottling up of Brook; eleventh, Edward Wasmuth, German high command has taken

FIRE: GOES TO HOSPITAL MEN AND WOMEN ARE

wounded, are to be given especial Using coal oil to start a fire in the International News Service: kitchen stove landed Paul Calvin, 22 | GENEVA, May 15. - Six women At a conference between the so- | years old, in the hospital today. The | and six men have been condemned timore, Havre de Grace, Wilming- ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 15 .- Oliver cialist group of delegates and Min-explosion seriously burned Calvin to prison terms in Dresden, Gerton and New Brunswick, N. J. The P. Tebeau, former manager of the ister of Armament Louicher, the and set fire to his home at 427 S. many, for distributing "defeatist" the Calvin kitchen.

Will Not Accept Office,

Leaving Field Clear.

ley announced shortly before noon

nated for that office.

Vernon VanFleet, South Bend.

JAILED IN GERMANY

German Press Begins to Prepare People For Series of Battles and Consequent Heavy Losses.

International News Service. LONDON, May 15.—The Germans are evidently awaiting better weather before reopening their drive on the western front. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 15 .-

There has been a heavy fall of Huntington, as republican state of rain, but despite the bad fighting since the battle of Flanders made certain when Sec'y L. W. Hen- his preparations by reorganizing The Germans attempted to raid Thus it can be seen that the Ger- that he would not accept the office. and remassing men and guns.

liminary conferences it was said Mr. Roumania to reinforce the armies While von Hindenburg holds off Wasmuth's name would probably be on the Flanders and Picardy fronts. on the western front there is again the only one considered for the Amsterdam reported that already an increase of infantry and artillery chairmanship to succeed Will H. German cavalry from the Roumanian front had passed through In a statement Sec'y Henley said Liege on the way to the Flanders

Taste of Allied Strength.

The Germans have received a The members of the republican severe taste of allied strength and state committee elected yesterday have been warned what to expect follow: First district, L. A. Folsom, when they again renew their of-Boonville; second, David R. Scott, fensive.

Linton; third, Bert Thurman, New The heavy bombardments along LONDON, May 15.-Naval circles Albany; fourth, Bert Morgan, both battle fronts have continued German landing in England, not as Brazil; sixth, Waiter Bossert, Lib- try operations are still confined to Muncie; ninth, C. E. Butler, Craw- of the lines.

next stroke with more care and caution than has yet preceded any German drive.

Take Subdued Note. The inspired German press is

speaking with a more subdued note since it began on March 21 Amiens and the channel ports are

still a long way off from the German armies and their chances of breaking through become more and more remote as Gen. Fach continue: his plans to meet the Teutonic on-

FRENCH TROOPS CAPTURE WOODS. International News Service:

PARIS, May 15.-French troops have captured the wood just south of Hallles, on the Plcardy battle front, the French war office an-

German counter attacks were repulsed.

"Meanwhile, the airplanes were tarily growing fire and planted a starboard the helm. The Vindictive The text of the communique fol-

craft guns were searching the skies The Vindictive steamed over it and nose to the eastern pier and pre- "There was violent artillery firing pared to swing her 329 feet of during the night around Montdidier and Novon.

on the bottom of the channel. Her say the practice is demoralizing, and chaperons.

Graphic Story of How Battered Old Warship Vindictive Groped Her Way Into Ostend Harbor and Sank, Bottling Up U-Boats

tory of the Ostend operation: Dunkirk, May 11.—The Sirius in the darkness, the motor boats on the old position of the Stroom bombing methodically, and anti-air- flare on the water between the piers, responded and laid her battered lows; les in the surf some 2,000 yards east like destroyers and the coastal bank buoy. the entrance to Ostend harbor, motorboats showing themselves as "Four minutes before she arrived for them. which she failed so gallantly to racing hillocks of foam.

ship awoke and looked on. Pres't Wilson's letter effectually ber and bung a flare in her slack goal and end.

Sen. Thompson of Kansas also that success had been entrusted by sion was to guide her, light her and the harbor with the Sirius and Brilllant. Upon that occasion a com-

Problem of Surprise,

"Upon this the main problem was

only as silhouettes of blacknessthe destroyers looming like cruisers

screening smoke from the destroy- high wooden piers and torpedoed tog had come on.

no more. She passed thence into the "The planning and execution of hands of the small craft whose mis-

eration and the staff work before- shells. to secure the effect of a surprise hand even included precise orders "There was a time of tremendous washed across, and at the 'third at some time a ship had been in col- She sank about six feet and lay up- Some of the "conscientious objectors" attack upon an enemy who was for laying the smoke barrage with uproar. The coast about Ostend is turn, upon reaching the position at lision with it. plans calculated for every direction ponderously equipped with batteries, which she first lost her way, there

of the wind. "The solution of the problem is "The Vindictive, always at that tified as ton Tirpitz, von Hinden- the entrance and the pier, Commander Gods mander Gods was killed by the solider boys they should at least be arm's in the possession of gunsmiths best indicated by the story of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events, solemn gait of hers, found the flag-bury of events and the flag-bury of ev "From the destroyer which served ship's light buoy and bore up for These now opened fire into the "The inevitable motorboat U-B, on deck, the better to watch the tower."

was waiting by a calcium flare up-

there, and 15 minutes only before "Through all this stridency and "The guns found her at once, She length across the channel.

LONDON, May 15.—The admiral- | the commodore for a flagship, the | where a coastal motor boat com- smoke and over it at the monitors | No. 22, commanded by Acting Lieut, | ship's movements. He chose a posi- | There was violent artillary firing by has issued the following graphic remainder of the force were visible manded by Lieut, William R. Stayter and marines. And the monitors re- Guy L. Cockburn, raced on into the tion and called in through the slit during the night in the region of

vanished in a roar and leap of their lights and use their sirens to inshore end of this pier from a po- through the slit to the commander | Hailles is about eight miles southflames, which called to the guns. | keep in touch with each other. The sition on the front end and machine and receiving no answer, rang for east of American troops "Over the town a flame suddenly air attack was suspended, and the guns apparently firing over the east- the port engine full speed astern, are holding part of the front south appeared high in the air and sank | Vindictive with some distance yet to orn pier, there converged upon her to help the swinging ship. slowly earthwards -the signal that go, found herself in gross darkness, a hail of lead,

laid down for every stage of the op- land, only occasional routine star over and started to cruise to find the pier was breached some 200 yards shrug as the explosive tore the bot- trains going through here and entrance. Twice she must have from the sea-ward end, as though tom plates and bulkheads from her, promiscuously kissing the soldiers.

opening under heavy and momen- of the conning tower his order to Montdidier on. She was in.

Goes on Deck.

lock, and when in the early hours "There's the Vindictive the muf- she was due at the harbor mouth, blaze of conflict, the old Vindictive, was hit every few seconds after "It was at that moment that a "The French attacked the enemy of yesterday morning the Vindictive fled seamen and marines standing the signal for the guns to open was still unhurrying, was walking the sheet seamen and marines standing the signal for the guns to open was still unhurrying, was walking the signal for the guns to open was still unhurrying. reped her way through the smoke by the torpedo tubes and guns turn. given. Two motor boats under com- lighted waters toward the entrance. afresh in a score of places, her the conning tower, Lieut. Sir John wood, creen and headed for the entrance ed at that name to gaze at the great mand of Lieut. Albert L. Poland, It was then that those on the de- decks and upper works swept by Alleyne and Lieut. V. A. C. Crutch- "German counter attacks this was as though the old lighting black ship seen mistly through the dashed in toward the ends of the stroyers became aware that a sea machine guns. The machine gun at ley were still within. Commander morning failed. the end of the pier had been put out | Godsal was close to the tower out- "All were repulsed. We captured "A coastal motor boat had visited er's funnels, plodding silently to her them. There was a machine gun on Use Sirens to Keep in Touch. of action by a motor boat torpedo, side, Lieut. Alleyne was stunned by 70 prisoners." the end of the western pier, and that | "The destroyers had to turn on but from other machine guns at the the shock. Lieut. Crutchley shouted

man source today.

"After working the engines some ity was reported. the airplanes cooperating had seen There were motor boats on either "After her control was demolisted minutes to no effect, Lieut, Crutchand understood. Almost coinciden- side of her escorting her to the en- by a shell which killed all the occu- ley gave the order to clear the en- patriotic KISSING IS tally with their first bombs came the trance. These were supplied with pants including sub-Lieut. Angus H. gine room and abandon ship. Enfirst shells, whooping up from the what are called Dover flares, enor- Maclachan, who was in command gineer Lieut. Commander William monitors at sea. The surprise part of mous lights capable of illuminating of it, the upper and lower bridges A. Bury, who was the last to leave the attack was sprung. The surprise, square miles of sea. At once every and the chart room swept by bullets, the engine room, blew the main international News Service: "There was no preliminary bom- despite the Germans' watchfulness, pistol was fired as a signal to light Commander Godsal ordered the offi- charges by a switch installed aft. MARION, O., May 15 - A strong bardment of the harbor and batter- seems to have been complete. Up these, but the fog and smoke to- cers to go with him to the conning Lieut. Crutchley blew the auxiliary protest has been made to local ies, as before the previous attempt, until the moment when the torpe- gether were dense for even the tower. They observed through the charges in the forward six inch authorities against Marion girls observation slit in the steel wall of magazine from the conning tower, demonstrating their fervent puthe surprise. A time table had been there had not been a shot from the "The Vindictive then put her helm the conning tower that the eastern Those on board felt the old ship triotism by meeting numerous troop

work was done.

each with a name known and iden- came a rift in the mist, and she saw | "Immediately after passing the Ti is to be presumed that Com- est maldens must his the strange